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1. The Zentralinstitut fuer Funktechnik (Central Institute for Radio Techniques) (ZIF) was scheduled to be deactivated on 1 August 1954. Most of the sections of the institute were to be placed under the control of the GDR postal administration. Dr Gerhardt was expected to be released because the SED believes him to be too weak.

2. Dipl. Ing. [redacted] intends to establish an institute for high vacuum techniques. [redacted] fitted plans for this new institute to the GDR Council of Ministers. [redacted] and Mueller was mentioned as possible chief of the administrative management of the new institute.

3. Since the HIF Telecommunication Engineering Plant was not in a position to build iconoscopes on the basis of designs furnished by [redacted] built iconoscopes at the ZIF. These iconoscopes [redacted] and were delivered [redacted] Riesel-Ikonoskops also completed at ZIF, [redacted] types for large-scale production were built. However, this equipment was not yet ready to go into production because the problem of the supply of high voltage had not been clarified.

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